

BAD WEATHER POLICY

When bad weather threatens, all schools are equipped with either a weather-band radio or the weather channel on television, which the administration monitors constantly.

Experience tells us that more often than not, we are faced with big decisions concerning weather at dismissal time, when the pace is hectic at best. For this reason, we want you to be fully aware of the basic guidelines we follow when bad weather occurs at this time.

During a TORNADO WARNING:

- All children are arranged in the most secure manner possible. Students housed in portables are subject to movement into the main building at any time during bad weather, at the Principal's discretion.
- Buses and car drivers are not dismissed, and students are secured in the main buildings.
- Car riders are dismissed to their parents who wish to check them out, keeping in mind that it is difficult to locate a child quickly when you are in the midst of a storm drill procedure. We ask for your patience in this situation. (NOTE: Students are dismissed only to a parent or legal guardian during a weather emergency, unless prior arrangements have been made with the office.)

SNOW AND ICE/INCLEMENT WEATHER:

This type of weather creates an entirely different problem because of its unpredictable nature. Since lost days must be made up; our basic philosophy is that we will have school unless or until conditions (icy roads, downed power lines) dictate otherwise. Again, we constantly monitor the weather situation through the Tate County EMA, Tate County Sheriff's Department, and actual district personnel who ride the roads in all areas of the county.

In the event of inclement weather, the decision to cancel classes will be made by the Central Office Staff and relayed to the local media outlets.